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Please find enclosed for filing:

X Response to Office Action dated June 30, 2003.

Date: 7/30/2003

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2003 having
a shortened statutory period for response set to expire July 30,
2003, kindly enter the following response:

Restriction

Restriction to one of the following inventions has been required under 35 USC 121:

I. Claims 1-17, drawn to a biological assay material, classified in class 422, subclass 57.

II. Claims 18-25 and 30-42, drawn to processes for detecting a toxic substance, classified in class 436, subclass 518.

III. Claims 26-29, drawn to a process for producing a biological assay material, classified in class 435, subclass 4.

Election

Applicant here elects without traverse Group II (claims 18-25 and 30-42) for prosecution on the merits.

It is understood that claims 1-17 and 26-29 drawn to non-elected inventions, will remain pending, albeit withdrawn from further consideration in the application.